Nerda De Vera (psugadoffice@yahoo.com) including the depositor's name and affiliation.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Participants will be housed at Hotel Le Duc, Dagupan City. All rooms are air-conditioned and accommodation charges are not included in the registration fees. For accommodation reservations, please contact Ms. Nerda De Vera at cp no. 09073298282 or psugadoffice@yahoo.com. Participants who fail to confirm their attendance and run out of slots will be housed to other hotels nearby with different accommodation charges or will have to arrange for their own accommodations. Accommodation details are hereunder.

Hotel Le Duc		
No. of Rooms	Room Type	Rates
4	Standard Room, 4 pax	465.00
5	De Luxe Room, 4 pax	532.00
6	Double Suite (Sharing of bed), 4 pax	420.00

Note:
- maximum capacity, hence extra bed already considered
- breakfast not included

ABOUT THE VENUE

Dagupan City is one of the cities of the province of Pangasinan. It is surrounded by bodies of water, rivers, and the Lingayen Gulf. This city is well-known as Bangus Capital of the Philippines because it is one of the leading exporters of bangus to its neighboring countries and even worldwide. Dagupan City is also known as a major commercial and financial center north of Manila and is one of the centers of modern medical services, media and communication in Northern Luzon.

Dagupan City offers several historic sites within the city. The city is also rich in nature wonders that call for several local and foreign tourists every year. The following enumerates some of the scenic and historic spots that you can visit.

You can have a feel of history while relaxing at the **Bonuan Blue Beach** in Dagupan City. It was also in this site that the first Liberation Forces landed on January 9 1945. The **Tondaligan Park**, the **MacArthur Landing Marker** and the **Japanese-Park** are the main attractions of this beach. The **Old St. John's Cathedral** is another historic landmark of the city. This church witnessed the surrender of Spanish General Caballos to General Francisco Makabulos, a Filipino military strategist. The **Home Economics Building of the West Central Elementary School** had made a great part in the historic revolutions in the country. This site served as the official headquarters of General MacArthur and his troops.

GETTING THERE

Participants coming from south of Pangasinan may ride Victory Liner Buses bound for Dagupan at Cubao terminal or at Pasay terminal.

Participants coming from Ilocos and Cordillera Administrative Region may take any bus that will pass by Agoo, La Union and transfer to any Dagupan-bound bus.

Upon arriving at Dagupan, take a jeepney ride going to the city proper or take a tricycle ride to Hotel Le Duc, Dagupan City. Hotel Le Duc is within the Lyceum Northwestern University.

INQUIRIES

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(Final Circulation)

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ABOUT PSSN

The Philippine Society for the Study of Nature, Inc. is a non-profit, non-stock, non-partisan organization of professionals, researchers, administrators, policymakers, practitioners, students, and institutions involved in nature studies and related activities, whose primary function is to provide a venue for the development of strategies for wise utilization of nature and its amenities. It was organized in a national conference at the University of the Philippines College Baguio in April 2000 when the participants saw the need for a network of academics and professionals that addresses nature and nature-related problems in the country. On September 26, 2000, the Society was registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

THE 8th CONFERENCE IN BRIEF

The **Philippine Society for the Study of Nature, Inc. (PSSN)** – Northern Luzon Chapter, in cooperation with Lyceum Northwestern University, cordially invite you to its **8th Annual Scientific Conference** to be held at the Lyceum Northwestern University, Dagupan City.

The 8th conference will focus on the theme: **"Sustainable Human Interactions with the Environment Promoting Best Practices and Sharing Experiences"** with the three subthemes (research, technological innovation, and social and gender and development). To be featured in this year's conference are interesting keynote and plenary topics to be presented by experts in research, technological innovation and social development in promoting a sustainable society led by Dr. Raymundo Rovillos (UP Baguio), Dr. Marilyn Elauria (UPLB), Dr. Jessie Elauria (UPLB), and Dr. Arlen Ancheta (UST).

The preconference topic entitled "Patentability Search" will be facilitated by Dr. Roberto Pagulayan of Angeles University Foundation.

High school and undergraduate students, and professionals' competing papers will also be presented while poster paper will be posted throughout the duration of the conference. An educational field exposure will be done at major tourist spots in Pangasinan.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM and ACTIVITIES

19 November 2014

AM General Registration
Preconference on ""Patentability Search"
High School Research Competition

PM Continuation of Pre-conference and High School Research Competition

20 November 2014

AM Opening Ceremony
Keynote and 1st Plenary Talks
Best Paper Competition (Finalists in High School and Undergraduate category, and Professional category)
Poster Paper Competitions
BOT Election

PM 2nd and 3rd Plenary Talks
Continuation of Best Paper Competitions (Professional Category)
Parallel Sessions
General Assembly
Induction of New Members and Officers
Dinner Banquet

21 November 2014

AM Parallel Sessions

PM Continuation of Parallel Sessions
Awarding of Certificates and Closing Ceremony

22 November 2013

Post-conference Field Exposure to San Roque Dam, Rosales Museum, and Acop-Dam Eco Park

CALL FOR PAPERS

We encourage presentation of experimental findings in the form of scientific papers and posters. Papers or posters should focus on an ongoing or recently completed research work that is within the scope of this year's conference theme. Topics may include agriculture, fisheries, environmental concerns, biodiversity, climate change adaptations and mitigations, disaster risk reduction management, technological innovations, industrial ecology, mathematics and modeling, social/gender and economic development, and others related to the theme. Deadline of submission of research abstracts and full papers for competing entries is on or before October 31, 2014, and for regular entries on or before November 14, 2014 preferably by email and send to the paper and poster screening committee (ka_ballada@yahoo.com or romdizon@gmail.com) or by logging on to pssnconference.org and furnish a copy to the conference committee, psugadoffice@yahoo.com.

REGISTRATION FEES

Participant Categories	Registration Fee	
	Early	On-site
Life Member	2,200.00	2,500.00
Regular	2,700.00	3,000.00
Nonmember*	3,200.00*	3,500.00*
High school and undergraduate student	800.00**	1,000.00**

*inclusive of membership fee

**High school and undergraduate students are only entitled for the two days conference proper (November 19-20, 2014). If they wish to join the postconference tour, they will have to pay an additional P500.00.

The registration fee is inclusive of lunch, AM and PM snacks (November 19-22, 2014), a conference kit and certificates, and pre-conference and post-conference activities.

Those attending the preconference only will have to pay Php 400.00 to defray expenses for AM and PM snacks, and lunch.

Early registrants can deposit their payments not later than October 31, 2014 to any branch of Bank of the Philippine Island (BPI):

- Checking Account Number 000570-0126-65 (BPI-Baguio Session Road Branch)
- Acct Name: Romeo Dizon & Jacqueline Lampac

Scanned copy of the deposit slip should be sent to Dr. Romeo Dizon (romdizon@gmail.com) and Ms.